House Committee Substitute No. 2 for S.B. 740

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 740, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS BY REQUIRING A CERTIFICATE OF NEED BEFORE OFFERING CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION SERVICES, REQUIRING HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS AND LONG-TERM CARE HOSPITALS TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF NEED, REQUIRING A CERTIFICATE OF NEED TO PURCHASE CERTAIN EQUIPMENT USED IN CANCER TREATMENT, REQUIRING A CERTIFICATE OF NEED FOR NEW HOSPICE OFFICES AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, CHANGING WHO ARE AFFECTED PERSONS ENTITLED TO APPEAL A CERTIFICATE OF NEED DECISION, AUTHORIZING THE FURNISHING OF CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES PURSUANT TO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND MAKING OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 7/12/05, submit the following report:

The Senate and House agree to the following amendments to the House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 7/12/05, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute as amended:

on page 1, line 4, by deleting the word "SERVICES," and substituting the phrase "SERVICES, EXCEPT WHEN DOING SO PURSUANT TO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,";

and on page 9, line 16, by deleting the word "services." and substituting the phrase "services, except cardiac catheterization services provided on equipment furnished by a person authorized to operate such equipment in North Carolina pursuant to either a certificate of need issued for mobile cardiac catheterization equipment or a settlement agreement executed by the Department for provision of cardiac catheterization services."

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

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